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In re:

U.S. Application of: Ryuichi YOSHIDA, Junichi TANII,  
Yasuhiro OKAMOTO and Tomoyuki YUASA  
For: DRIVE MECHANISM EMPLOYING

ELECTROMECHANICAL TRANSDUCER AND  
METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE DRIVE  
MECHANISM (BEING AMENDED TO) DRIVE  
MECHANISM TRANSDUCER AND METHOD FOR  
CONTROLLING THE DRIVE MECHANISM

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified  
application, filed concurrently herewith, please amend this  
Application as follows:

In accordance with the most recent rule changes, an  
amendment to the specification is presented herein by  
presenting a replacement paragraph for the specification, as  
amended, in clean form. Also, an Appendix entitled "Version

With Markings to Show Changes Made," showing the current amendment to the specification is attached hereto.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please delete the title and insert the following:

--DRIVE MECHANISM EMPLOYING ELECTROMECHANICAL TRANSDUCER AND  
METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE DRIVE MECHANISM--

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